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COUNTRY: Bulgaria

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SUBJECT: Danube Port of Lom, Bulgaria

PLACE ACQUIRED:

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SOURCE:

1. Lom, Bulgaria  $[43^{\circ}57'N, 23^{\circ}14'E]$ , is a comparatively small Danube River port. The main items unloaded at Lom were trucks from the Skoda plant in Czechoslovakia and quarter inch wire cable from Hungary. Although these items were regarded as war reparations destined for the USSR, they were nevertheless unloaded at Lom.
2. We unloaded cargoes onto pontoon-type docks, between the railroad station and the administration building. The administration building, a one-story affair, also housed a guard unit of about 20 men. There were no modern unloading machines and items were unloaded by hand.
3. A new, winter port area was being dug out east of the railroad station in 1948. No buildings had been started however. It was to have ship and barge repair facilities when completed.
4. The attached sketch shows the area as it would look.  
[Available at the CIA ~~Library~~ Library is a sketch map of the Lom port area prepared by source 7]

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